

ATHENA

Computing Coordination Meeting

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Philosophy: Let's prepare for our future at the EIC!

- **Build forward-looking team of developers to ensure the long-term success of the EIC scientific program in software & computing.**
- Focus on modern scientific computing practices
 - Strong emphasis on modular orthogonal tools.
 - Integration with HTC/HPC, CI workflows, and enable use of data-science toolkits.
- Avoid “not-invented-here” syndrome, and instead leverage cutting-edge CERN-supported software components where possible.
 - Build on top of mature, well-supported, and actively developed software stack.
 - Externalize support burden where possible.
- Actively work with the EICUG SWG to help develop and integrate community tools for all collaboration.



Software Stack In A Nutshell

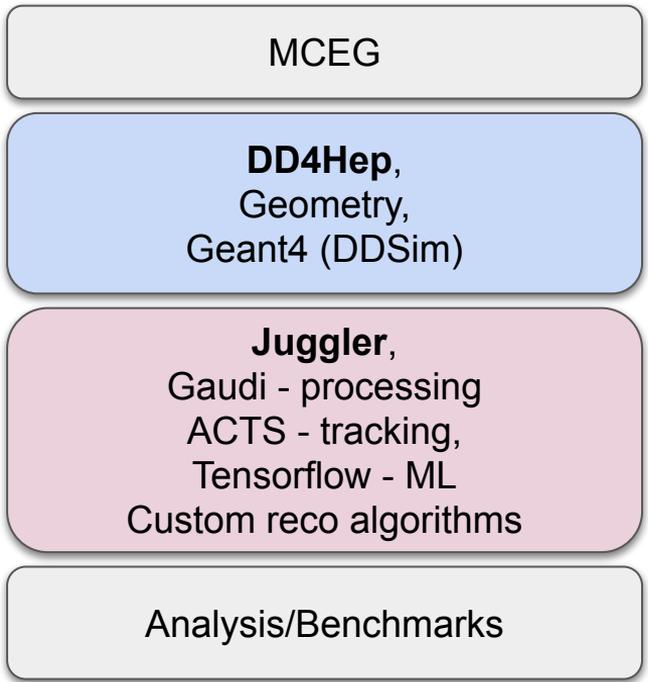
DD4hep: TGeo and Geant4 geometry definition, detector plugin library, wrappers to run Geant4.

Juggler: Digitization and reconstruction algorithms (based on Gaudi with Podio-based data model and genfit/ACTS for tracking).

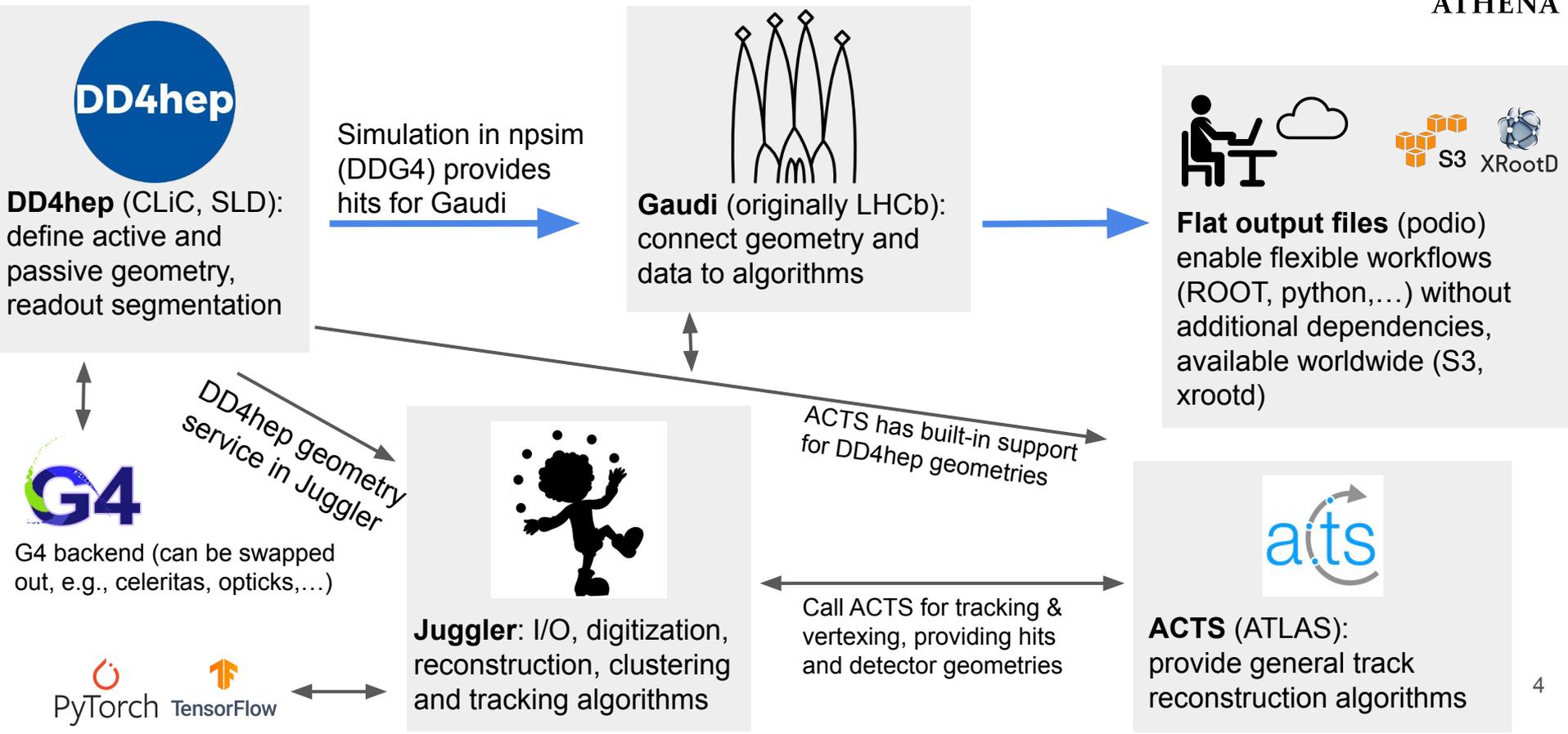
Gaudi: Generic open project for building auto-scaling event processing frameworks. Enables task-based concurrent execution in a heterogeneous computing environment. Encourages efficient coding practices.

ACTS: Experiment-independent tracking toolkit (geometry constructed from DD4hep via plugin).

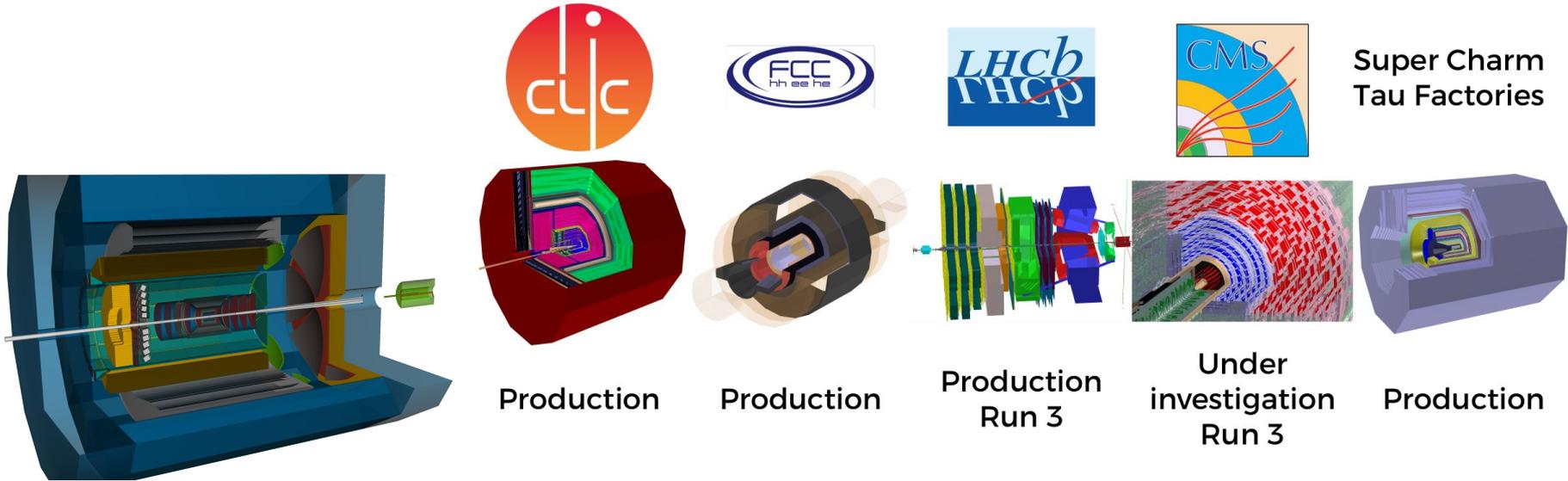
Podio: Robust data model definition to cross the boundaries between tools, independent of file format.



ATHENA Software Ecosystem: Emphasis On Modularity

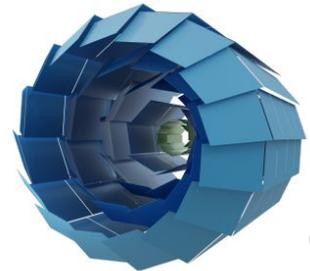
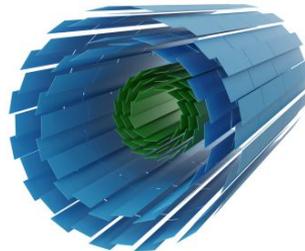
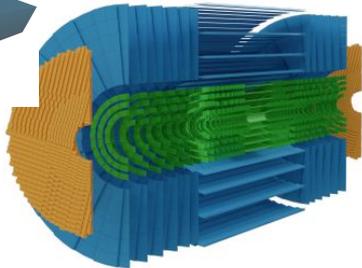
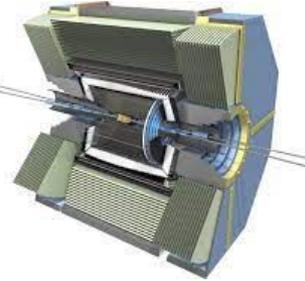
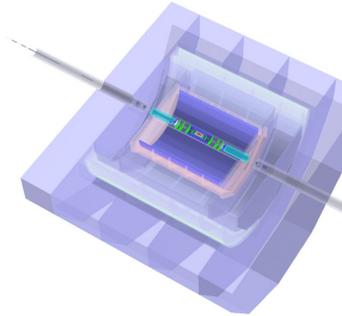
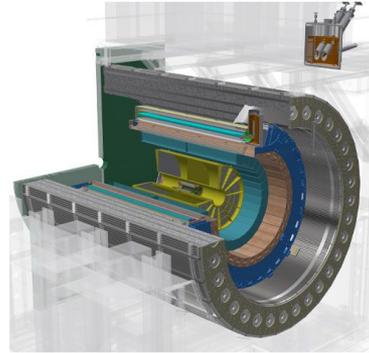
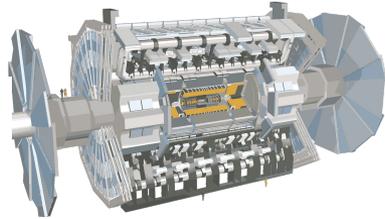
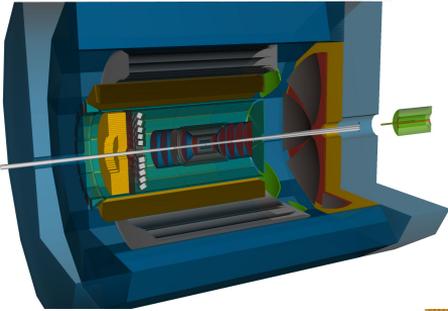


The DD4hep community



“framework for providing a complete solution for full detector description (geometry, materials, visualization, readout, alignment, calibration, etc.)”

The ACTS community



Automated Workflows at eicweb

GitLab server (eicweb.phy.anl.gov)

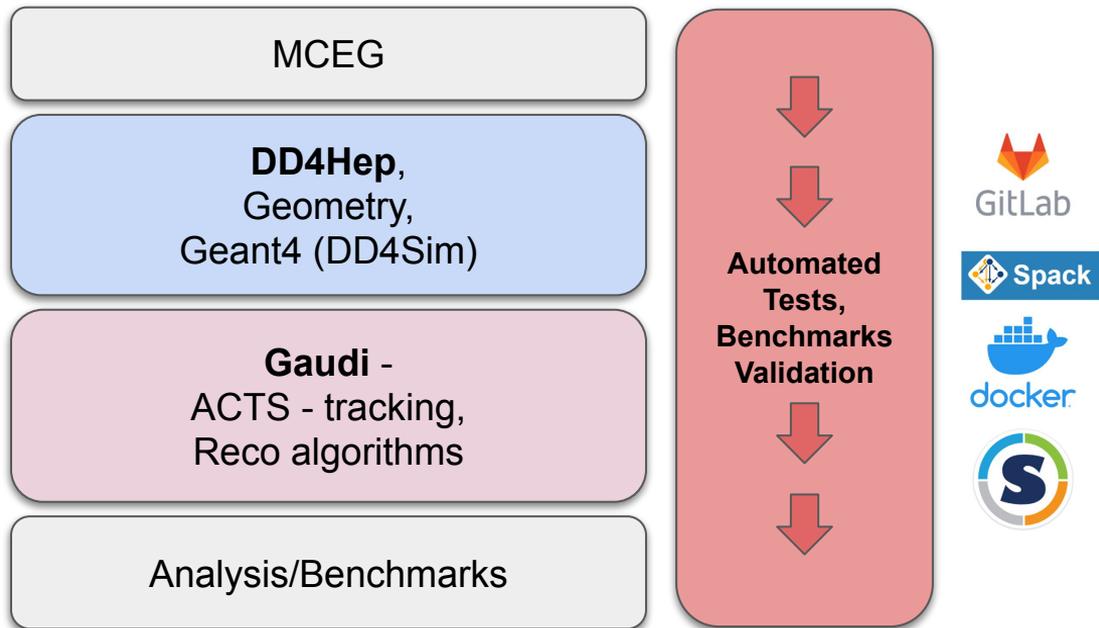
- mirrored on github.com/eic
- continuous integration
- dedicated build cluster

Runs automatically on each user commit, executing workflows running multiple tests, benchmarks and analysis

Automated containers

Both Docker and Singularity images are created nightly or on demand (commit) providing:

- reproducibility,
- production level images
- latest updates for those working locally



Why use a custom GitLab server?

- CI system loses benefits with shared, queued jobs
- Our collaboration controls users, yet access to HPC

Automated Workflows at eicweb

High Level Requirements

- Failures should show up in minutes, but benchmarking may take longer.
- Merge request cannot be held up by checks for more than ~two hours.
- Modular framework with large dependencies (root, geant4, ACTS) results in large containers, which must be distributed efficiently to CI nodes.
- Access for new users at institutions without MOU/NPUA (e.g. EIC India) without a lengthy approval process.
- Compliance with data management, export controls (private repositories).

Infrastructure at ANL

- Dedicated servers with 384 job slots to run ~10-minute to 3-hour long CI pipelines of ~50 to ~100 individual steps for commits and merge requests. (Github free tier: 2k mins / month)
- Docker build server of 128 cores and high bandwidth to distribute to nodes with modified gitlab-runners running unprivileged singularity containers.
- Integrated development environment with kubernetes for container shells.
- Full control over users accounts, no lab account required.



This infrastructure was not available on short notice at either BNL or JLab.

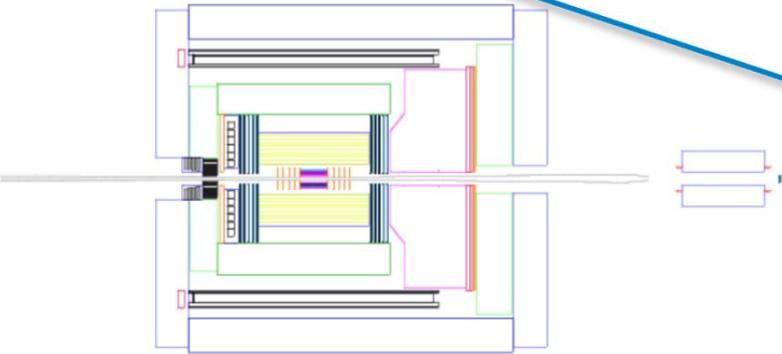
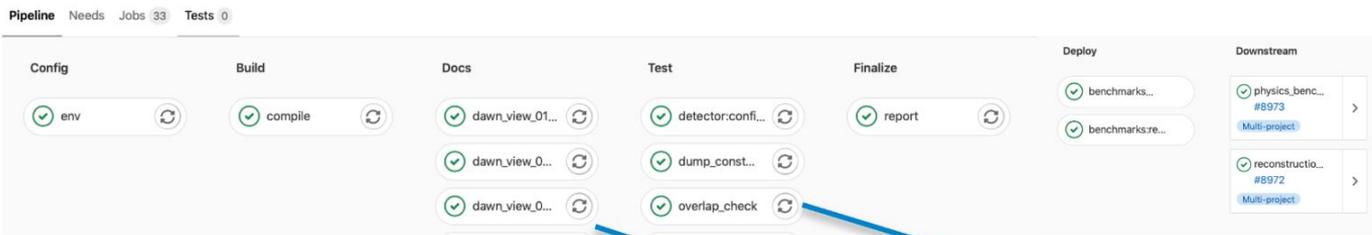
Automated Workflows: Local Environment Access



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curl -L get.athena-eic.org | bash
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- Uses images on /cvmfs when available, downloads singularity sifs otherwise.
- Basis of scalable computing on OSG: same containers are used everywhere.

Benchmarks, Documentation, Containerization



Geometry overlap checks running as part of every merge request

Automatic visualizations for detector geometries, saved as job artifacts (browsable!)



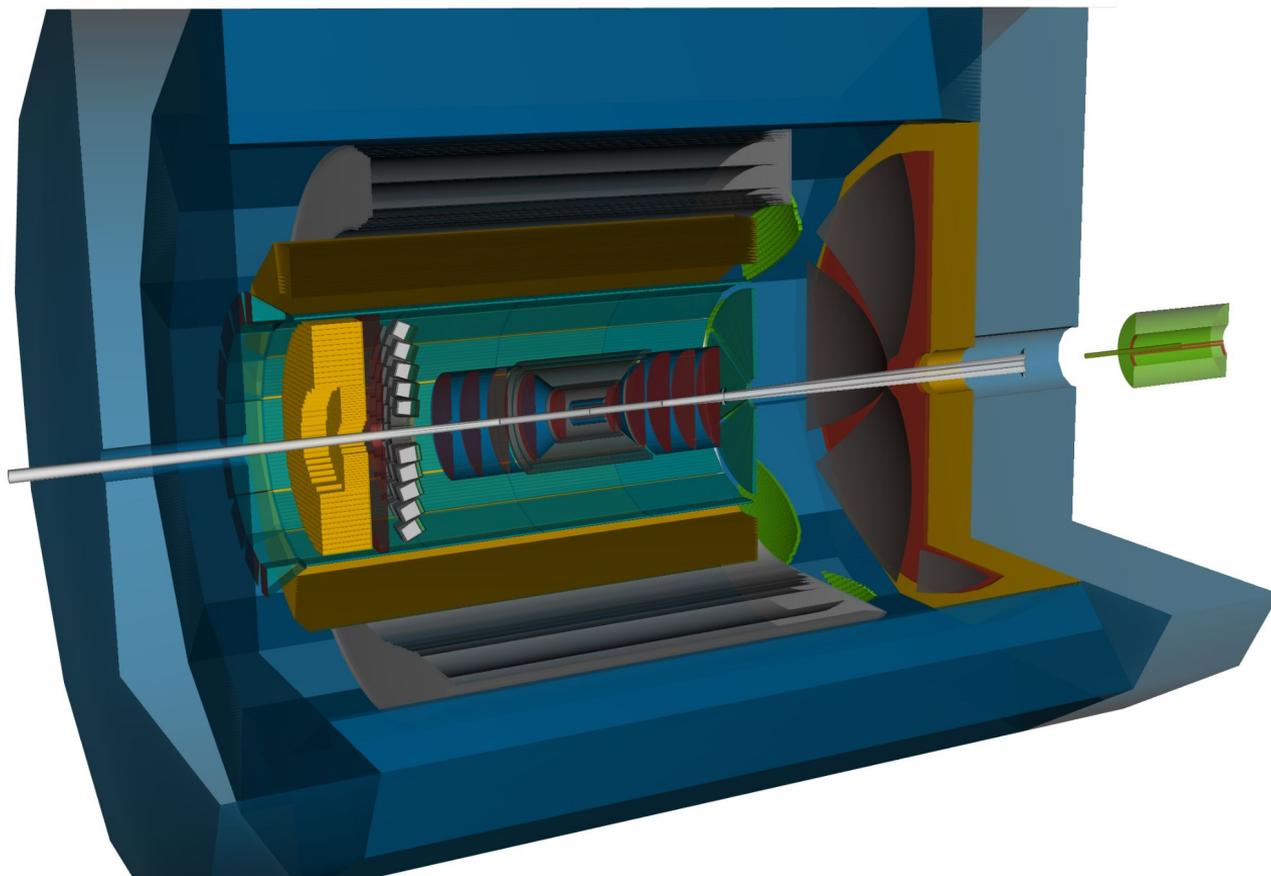
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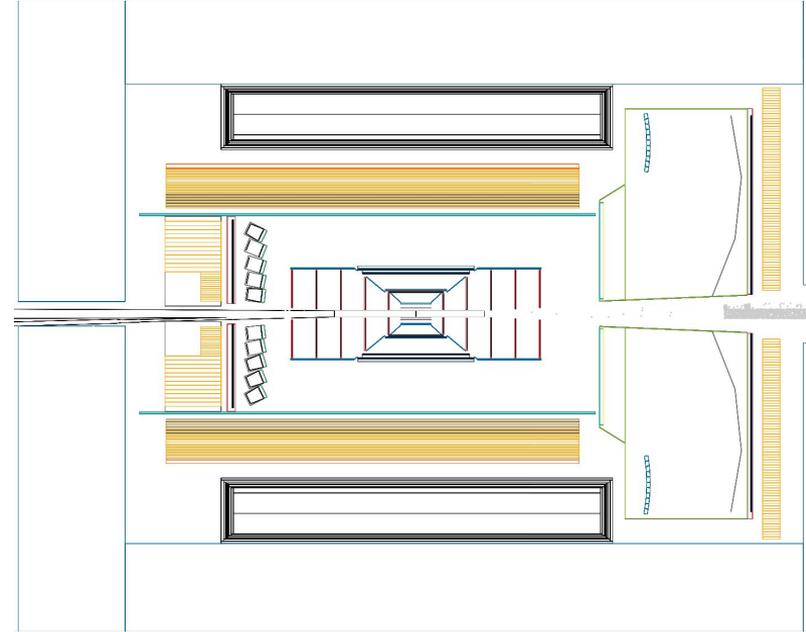
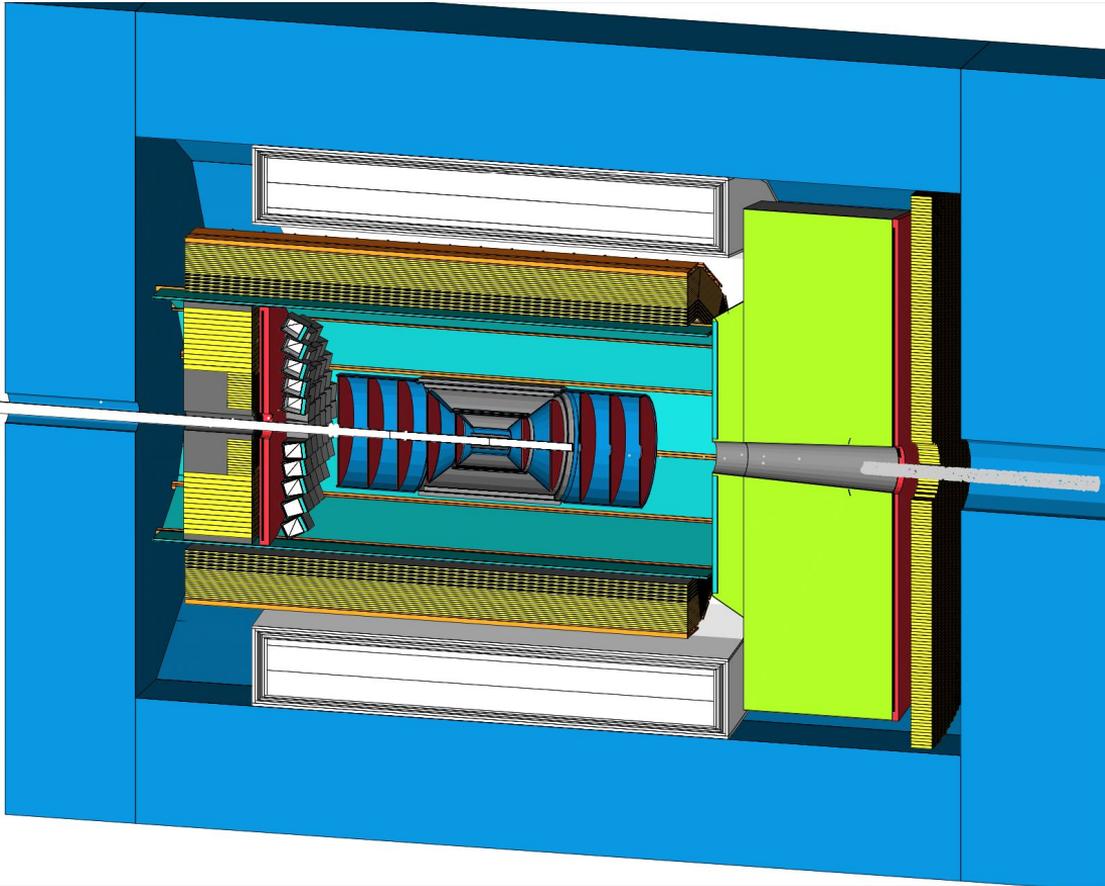
Artifacts / results

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Automatic Visualization

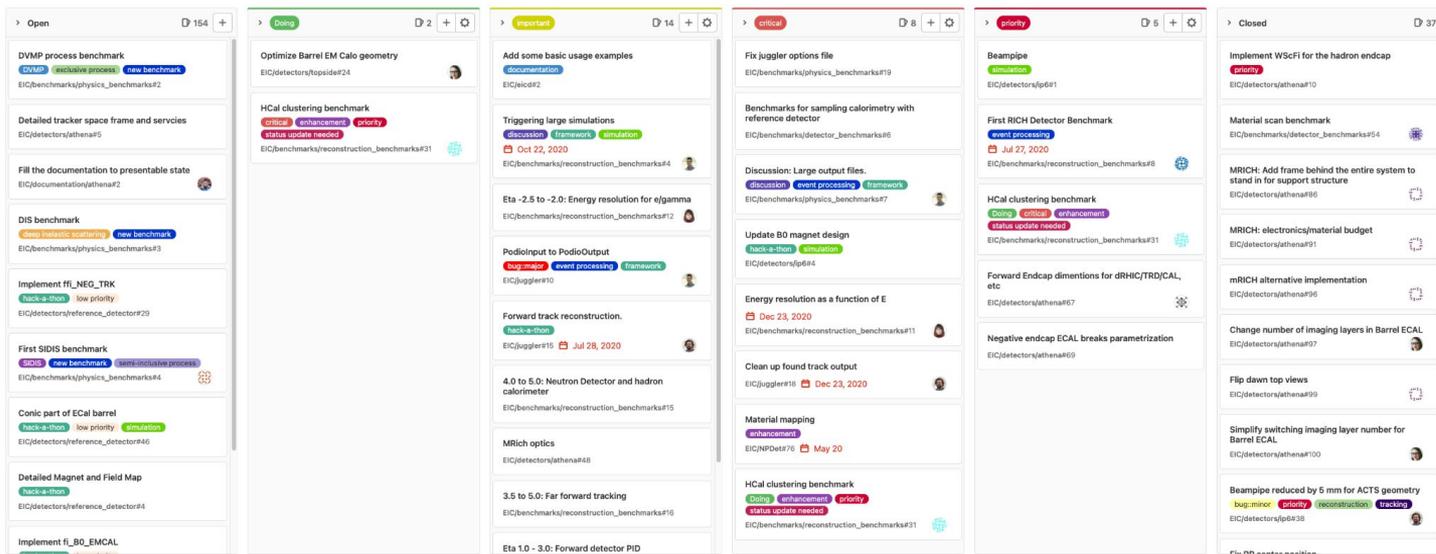


Automatic Visualization



Development Boards on eicweb

- <https://eicweb.phy.anl.gov/groups/EIC/-/boards>
- Working to polish/integrate task list to make it easier for people to find/check out a task

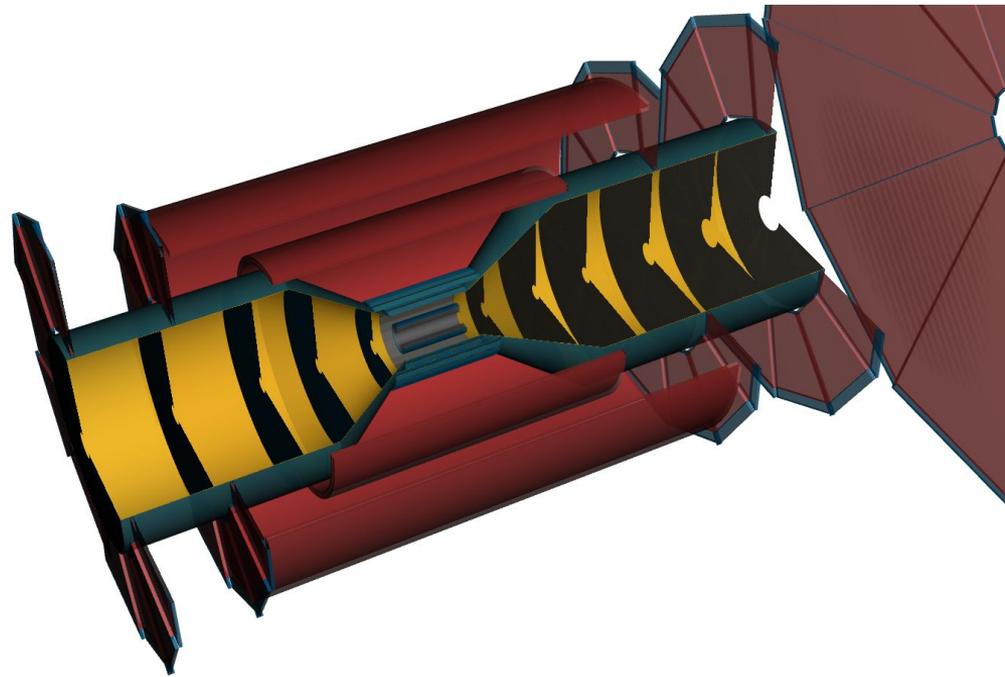
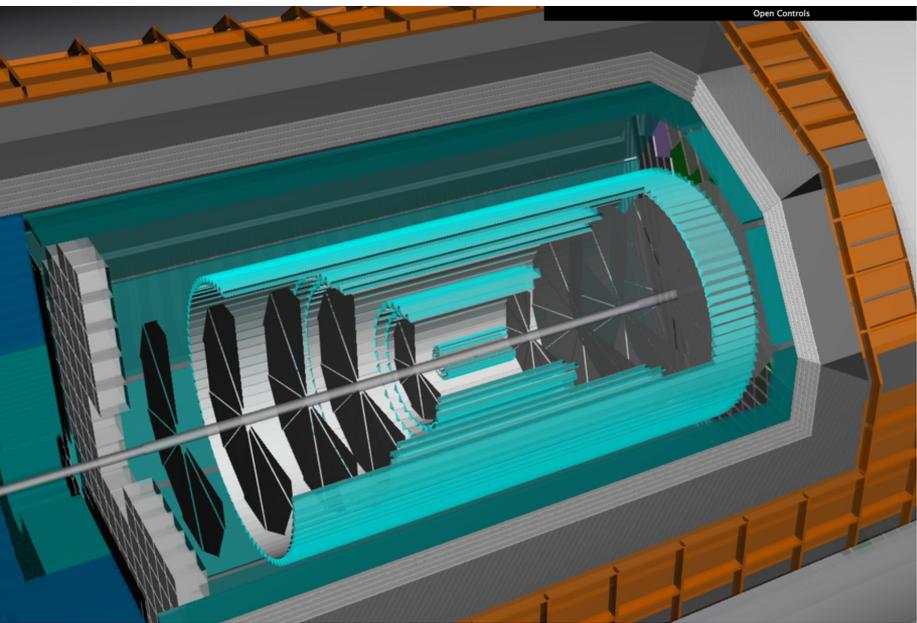


The image displays six Kanban boards from the EIC development project, organized into columns representing different stages of task completion:

- Open (154 items):** Includes tasks like "DVMP process benchmark", "Detailed tracker space frame and services", "Fill the documentation to presentable state", "DIS benchmark", "Implement ff_NEQ_TRK", "First SIDIS benchmark", "Conic part of ECAL barrel", "Detailed Magnet and Field Map", and "Implement fi_BO_EMICAL".
- Doing (2 items):** Includes "Optimize Barrel EM Calo geometry" and "HCal clustering benchmark".
- Important (14 items):** Includes "Add some basic usage examples", "Triggering large simulations", "Eta -2.5 to -2.0: Energy resolution for e/gamma", "Podioinput to PodioOutput", "Forward track reconstruction", "4.0 to 5.0: Neutron Detector and hadron calorimeter", "MRich optics", "3.5 to 5.0: Far forward tracking", and "Eta 1.0 - 3.0: Forward detector PID".
- Critical (8 items):** Includes "Fix juggler options file", "Benchmarks for sampling calorimetry with reference detector", "Discussion: Large output files", "Update BO magnet design", "Energy resolution as a function of E", "Clean up found track output", "Material mapping", and "HCal clustering benchmark".
- Priority (5 items):** Includes "Beampipe", "First RICH Detector Benchmark", "HCal clustering benchmark", "Forward Endcap dimensions for dRHC/TRQ/CAL, etc", and "Negative endcap ECAL breaks parameterization".
- Closed (375 items):** Includes "Implement WScFI for the hadron endcap", "Material scan benchmark", "MRICH: Add frame behind the entire system to stand in for support structure", "MRICH: electronics/material budget", "mRICH alternative implementation", "Change number of imaging layers in Barrel ECAL", "Flip down top views", "Simplify switching imaging layer number for Barrel ECAL", and "Beampipe reduced by 5 mm for ACTS geometry".

Detailed geometry implementation

EXAMPLE: Tracking Systems



Computing Philosophy

Encourage Upstream Contributions

- Requirements of well-formed HepMC as input has resulted in real improvements to multiple MCEGs used by EIC community.
- Various upstream contributions to DD4hep, ACTS, Spack, uproot,...

Encourage Social Coding

- CI platform provides the incentive for developers to commit code frequently: achieving data management and analysis preservation goals.
- Merge request reviews ensure higher quality code and build developer skills.

Enable Access Without Restrictions

- ATHENA collaboration members include INFN, EIC India, LBL, ANL,...
- Data 'publicly' available through BNL S3 and publicly available through JLab xrootd.
- Flat data structures (i.e. could be a csv), stored as ubiquitous ROOT trees without need for data structure libraries.
- Support for uproot using numpy library (awkward not needed).

Under Evaluation

- Rucio for data management
- Reana for analysis workflows



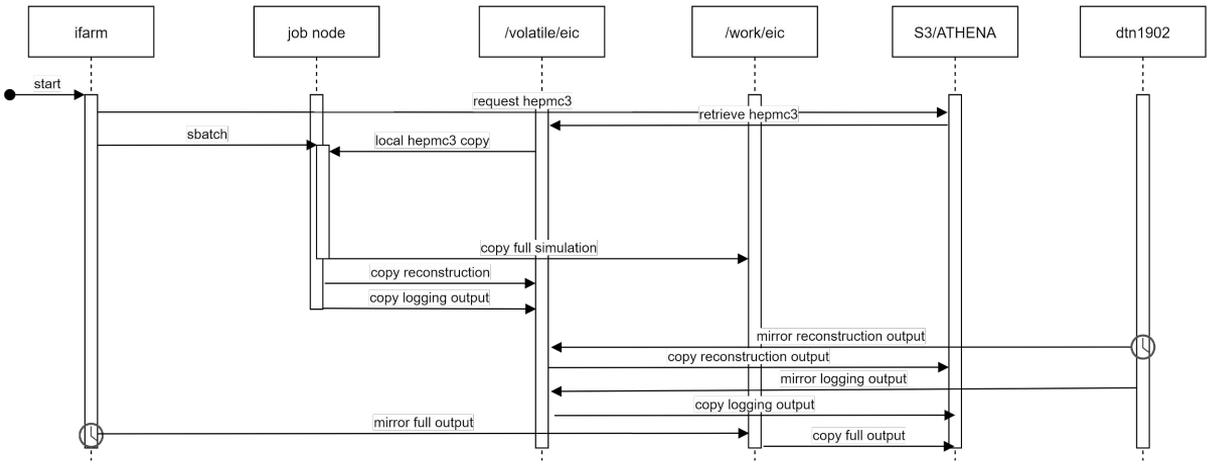
Anatomy Of ATHENA Jobs

1. HepMC3 files generated by physics working groups (or internal single particle generator):
 - a. Pythia8: full beam crossing angle and divergence effects included in hepmc3
 - b. Other generators: hepmc3-to-hepmc3 afterburner to boost head-on collisions (independent of ATHENA: contribution to the EIC community)
2. CI analysis of HepMC3 files (produces csv artifacts):
 - a. Running test, smoke tests, sanity checks, time-per-event determination
3. Job submission (identical syntax for slurm and condor systems)
 - a. Automatic retrieval of csv artifacts, automatic job strategy determination
 - b. No user code is needed: all submission support is available on /cvmfs
4. Job progression on node (entirely inside on container on /cvmfs)
 - a. S3 download of HepMC3 file
 - b. Run full simulation (downloads additional artifacts as needed)
 - c. S3 upload of full simulation podio output
 - d. Several reconstruction strategies (downloads additional artifacts as needed)
 - e. S3 upload of reconstruction podio outputs
5. Mirroring from S3 to xrootd



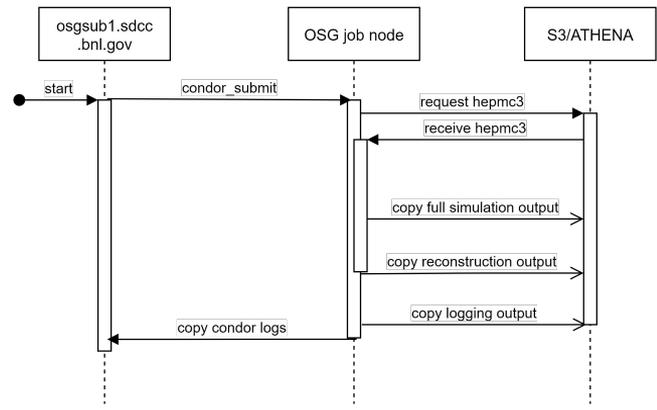
Operational Benefits of OSG Jobs

Running at JLab (capacity 25k job slots, 14% for EIC)



Now 500 TB each on /work/eic{2,3}; larger EIC xrootd service

Running on OSG (capacity 50k)



Also mirroring S3 to xrootd at JLab



Questions?